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Telegraph Operators on Strike

Much interest has been taken in the strike of the Western Union telegraph operators, which began in Los Angeles about a week ago and which up to the present time has spread over a wide section of the country and seriously affected the Postal company as well, let alone business interests and newspapers having telegraph service.

The strike started in the California city in a small way and the attempt of the Western Union to use non-union operators has precipitated the general strike. It is not believed, however, that the trouble will be of long duration.

Up to the present time over two thousand operators have quit their jobs and it threatens to involve the entire country. The general strike was brought about by the refusal of operators east to work with non-union men on the end of the line.

Latest developments in the strike situation show that it has spread over almost the entire country, and that in addition to the Western Union operators, Postal operators all over the country have gone out in sympathy with their striking brethren.

It was announced yesterday that the Associated Press operators had walked out, thus practically tying up the telegraph business of the entire country. Even the leased newspaper wires are silent and at present the outlook is gloomy for an immediate settlement of the difficulty.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

RICHARD RESIGNS

Santa Fe, N. M.—Attorney General George W. Prichard has tendered his resignation to Governor Curry, to take effect as soon as his successor is appointed and qualified.

The resignation was presented in the following letter:

August 9, 1909.

Hon. George Curry, Governor, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Sir:—When I was appointed attorney general of this territory by Acting Governor Reynolds, it was with this understanding that it was to be a temporary appointment to last only up to the time of your taking the oath of office as governor. Wholly unsolicited by you and with a desire on my part to retire from the office of attorney general on account of personal business, I hereby resign the office of attorney general, to take effect on the appointment and qualification of my successor.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE W. PRICHARD,
Attorney General.

CHURCH ENTERTAINMENT.

A social, entertainment and church fair combined took place at the M. E. Church, South, last Wednesday evening and was a most enjoyable affair. Miss Christie and members of the Progress Club arranged the entertainment. A fishing pond installed for the children proved quite a drawing card to the old and young alike. In a small tent "Mother Rachel" told fortunes to all who patronized her. Lemonade was served, as well as all kinds of candy.

Several appropriate selections were sung by the choir, when the pastor, Rev. Linge, called the gathering to order and announced a pleasing program of recitations and vocal selections. "Jannita" was beautifully rendered by the Misses Hunter, and Miss Christie recited in her usual pleasing manner. A handsome sum of money was realized.

ANOTHER RICH STRIKE

ON MELLETT CREEK

Daniel Freeman, a prospector who was grub-staked a few months ago by Pete Merrill, foreman of the C. S. ranch, reports that he has struck it rich at his claim on Mellett creek, a tributary of the Red river, near Elizabethtown. At present the hole is only down about twelve feet, but has developed a lead of about three feet which assays about \$52 to the ton.

Mr. Freeman expects to soon complete a tunnel into the mountain which will start from an arroyo and when he strikes the lead about three hundred feet down, he expects the claim to show about a fifteen-foot lead.

GEORGE CURRY INAUGURATED GOVERNOR UNDER VERY AUSPICIOUS CONDITIONS

Ceremonies Took Place in Hall of House of Representatives at Santa Fe—Chamber Was Crowded With Enthusiastic Admirers—Elaborate Parade and Fine Weather.

George Curry was inaugurated governor of New Mexico Thursday afternoon at 2:21 o'clock in the hall of the house of representatives at Santa Fe in the presence of a throng that filled the floor and gallery of the house to its utmost capacity. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice William J. Mills of the Territorial Supreme Court. Other features of the inauguration were an address of welcome by Judge A. B. Fall, of Las Cruces, a lifelong friend of the new governor, which was followed by a brief response by Governor Curry.

The weather was ideal and the city was crowded with inaugural visitors. The parade, which preceded the inaugural ceremonies, started about 1:45 from in front of the Hotel Claire, the headquarters of Governor Curry.

Six former members of the old "Quo quer" association, mounted, acted as special escort to the governor's carriage. In this escort Raton was well represented by "Tim" McAuliffe, J. K. Hunt and Gene Twitty. This association was composed of gentlemen who years ago in the days of the open range grazed their cattle on the dry Cimarron in what is now Colfax county.

The governor was given a rousing welcome upon his arrival in Santa Fe Wednesday evening and nearly a thousand persons were at the Union depot to meet the special train carrying the governor and party. After arriving at the hotel the governor's carriage was surrounded by a large crowd and before and after supper he

was kept busy shaking hands with a large throng.

"I will support the administration of President Roosevelt and carry out his policies to the very best of my ability," tells in brief the attitude of the new governor of New Mexico.

When interviewed by a newspaper representative the governor stated that he had no objection to being interviewed, but declared there was not much to say at this time. "The only instructions I received from President Roosevelt when I called upon him at his summer home at Oyster Bay were to give the people of New Mexico an honest, economical business administration. In view of the conditions here and of which as yet I am not thoroughly familiar, I believe it would be better to let the people judge me by my actions rather than by words.

I hope that the people of New Mexico and especially the press, will lay aside their personal grievances, if they may have any, so that we may all work together for the advancement of the territory. In my opinion political strife and dissatisfaction might retard statehood, which we all so much desire."

The governor further stated that he was in favor of single statehood for New Mexico if it can be secured, but would accept joint statehood with Arizona in preference to none at all. He said also that he did not contemplate making any changes for the present, but that he would go very slow in such matters, and that in making appointments they would be

as far as practicable from members of the Republican party who are supporters of the policies of President Roosevelt.

"I intend to keep the boards of control of the different territorial institutions entirely non partisan, having in view the best interests of these institutions. As I said before in making my appointments I shall endeavor to appoint good officials."

Governor Curry stated, when asked about the present investigations of alleged land frauds and other alleged illegal transactions now being pursued by federal officials, that he would render all possible assistance to any legitimate investigations where the government might have been defrauded or the statutes evaded.

He said that he had not yet held a consultation with the special assistant attorneys general of the United States who are here, but expected to go over the situation with them Friday.

Following the address of welcome by Judge A. B. Fall, after the oath had been administered, Gov. Curry rose to speak and his voice could not be heard for several minutes because of the terrific applause. Ladies and gentlemen alike arose to their seats, clapping hands and handkerchiefs and parasols were waved in the air and one cheer after another completely drowned every word the new executive uttered.

Governor Curry is not a man of words, but a man of action. The strong, decisive manner in which he uttered what he had to say showed his character better perhaps than any-

thing else could have done. He said that he desired to be judged by his actions rather than his words. He said he was not ashamed of the record he had left in the Philippine Islands and he believed he had the good will of the people of New Mexico with him.

He eulogized the president and stated that he would advance and carry out to the best of his ability in every way, shape and form, the policies of President Roosevelt and the republican party.

He asked that the people co-operate with him for good government and the advancement of New Mexico, and he expressed the hope that New Mexico would secure statehood at the hands of the next congress. He stated that he was in favor of single statehood first, but if it could not be secured with joint statehood next. He said that he intended to go to Washington to work for a statehood bill and that he would do everything in his power to secure statehood; that he hoped his term of office as governor under the territorial form would be even shorter than that of H. J. Hagerman, and that his time of office would be terminated by the admission of New Mexico to the union as a state.

WILL WORK FOR STATEHOOD.

In conclusion he told the people that if they united with him and supported him, he would give them his word that everything he could do for the cause of good government and the speedy admission of this territory to the union as a state would be done with all his heart.

Able Address of Hon. J. R. Garfield at Santa Fe Last Friday Afternoon

Hon. James R. Garfield, secretary of the interior, addressed several hundred citizens of New Mexico in the chamber of the house of representatives last Friday afternoon and was given a most cordial reception. The secretary spoke of the great future before New Mexico, of the problems before the people, and expressed the belief that New Mexico would soon be able to walk alone. He delivered a strong address. He said in part:

Ladies and Gentlemen: It is indeed with a great deal of pleasure that I have been able to come here and have the opportunity of meeting the people of New Mexico and discussing with them those matters that are of interest to them affecting as they do their lives and their property. As your mayor has said, the people of New Mexico are of no different type of any other state or territory and I am glad to say as I have said not only here but in the East where men have talked to me about the west, that so many people do not understand the west at all. I do not pretend to understand it thoroughly. I came through your territory nearly twenty years ago and I have kept in touch with many of the men who are doing things here. I desire to say that this administration never has and it does not now and it does not intend to have any presumption of guilt against any citizen of New Mexico. Should questions arise which will involve an interpretation of the law and an investigation of actions, the national administration will interpret those laws in the light of the facts as represented to it. There is no community in which wrong has not occurred. That is true. Yet the men who have done wrong are always in the minority in any American commonwealth. I did not intend to say much on this subject, but the mayor has suggested it,

so I want to tell you exactly how this administration felt and what it intends to do in regard to this particular matter. It is true that charges have been made but in every instance any man who is charged with any act will be given a fair hearing and no final action will be taken against any citizen of New Mexico, until the fairest kind of treatment has been given to which he is entitled to expect from this national administration. Of course, if in any instance things have gone wrong those wrongs will be righted by you people and not by anybody outside. This is enough to say about any disagreeable subject. Mr. Mayor. (Applause.)

It is true that the department of the interior has a great deal to do with the territory of New Mexico and it seems that you are all anxious to creep out from under the control of the department of interior. Now whether you are in the position that you do not have to creep, but can stand up and stand alone, is something that the future can determine. Judging from the character of the people and the industries I do not believe it will be long before you can walk alone.

I have been going about through the great West for the last two months for the purpose of getting in close touch with those questions of interest to the people of the west. The west is not a definite location. You people pride yourselves as we people in Ohio do that we are a large proportion of the world's surface. It has only been fifty years since the state of Ohio was west and at that time you people out here in New Mexico had to be hunted for with a telescope. It was the spirit of the west that first opened the land beyond the Alleghenies. It was the spirit of the west that left Ohio and finally took possession of those islands out in the ocean, those is-

lands in the far south. It is that spirit that we want to foster and engender not only in our own lives, but to hand down to our children. It is not the spirit of license, it is not the spirit of land grabbing, but it is the spirit of free American citizenship, the spirit which we wish to extend to and populate all this territory, all these lands, to fill them with the people who are home loving, people who believe in building up the American home, and make it the corner stone, the keystone to what is American citizenship.

And when I see such an audience as is here today, with so many of the ladies of the city present I am confident that that is the kind of citizenship that this town has. We men sometimes call ourselves the lords of the universe. We know very well that we are not the lords of the universe. We know it is the women of any community who make that place worth living in. They are the rulers of this country and they are the ones who build up. There is not a man who has ever made any success of any kind, but that finds it was the influence of some good woman who saved him from trouble, who has lifted him up and given him the higher ideals of life. Now as to the things that the interior department is trying to do.

PEOPLE MUST USE MINDS AS WELL AS HANDS

One of the principal things that I am studying on this trip, is irrigation and reclamation. Take that great valley just east of you for instance, great things have been accomplished there already. There are thirty thousand acres of fertile land that will be ready for cultivation. We will have hundreds of thousands of acres of land for settlers who will make new homes in this territory. It merely requires painstaking work and lots of

courage and the ability to do work. It means that as the water is put on that land you must not simply let it lie there and think that things are going to grow because the water has been put on. It means that the man who does this must use his head as well as his hands. You have also in your community here one of the problems with which the interior department has to deal, namely that of the Indians. I have taken great pleasure today in looking over the Indian school here, and I am pleased to find it well managed by a man who is doing his level best with the assistance of his wife and employees to give to those children the opportunities that you and I as American citizens are enjoying. It is a problem that is not at all free from difficulties. There ought not to be a white man in this community who would in any way take advantage of these people. They were here before we were, and it is our duty to help civilize them. I hope that I shall have the hearty co-operation of the people of New Mexico in working out this Indian question in order to be fair to those who are less fortunate than we are. Now, ladies and gentlemen, I know that I ought not to keep you long here. It has been a great pleasure to see you, to look into your faces, to grasp your hands and learn the conditions that obtain in this territory. I shall make my report not only of this territory but of your adjoining territory, Arizona, and I am very pleased that I can take back so fine a report of the conditions in all this great west. (Applause.)

FAIR TREATMENT FOR ALL SPECIAL FAVORS TO NONE

We have been finding out what these conditions are and there is but one word of warning that I want to

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Teachers' Institute

Opens August 19

To Teachers and Directors:

The Teacher's County Institute will convene August 19, at the Raton South Side school building and be in session two weeks.

This institute will be conducted on a combination of the lecture and recitation methods. For the recitation work the institute will be divided into two sections. The teachers will be expected to conduct recitations in the various subjects using the institute as a class.

Dr. W. E. Garrison, president elect of the Normal University at Las Vegas, has been engaged for the lecture instruction. Supt. A. D. Hoeschel, of the Raton High Schools, will have charge of the recitation work assisted by the county superintendent, Miss Florence Frost, primary teacher in the Raton schools, will have charge of the primary class.

There will be a number of afternoon sessions which the teachers outside of the Raton district will be expected to attend.

It is requested and urged that teachers provide themselves with text books in the various subjects of study. All teachers are required to attend the regular sessions of the institute.

Visitors will be cordially welcomed. One or two evening lectures will be provided.

Teachers' examinations will be held on Friday and Saturday of the last week and the manuscripts will be graded by the territorial superintendent. First grade certificates may be renewed only once on the approval of the territorial superintendent. Teachers who have been teaching on a permit will not be eligible to a second permit.

Very respectfully,
C. O. FISHER.

Coal Miners Have

Altercation at Koehler.

Tony Rodick and another Slav coal miner with an unpronounceable name got into an altercation at a miner's boarding house at Koehler last Friday and were also engaged in the promiscuous discharge of firearms. When Deputy Sheriff Boulden and others appeared on the scene it is alleged that Rodick fired at the officer, but the bullet went wild. During the melee, however, one of the party received a bullet in the right leg, shattering the bone. The latter was removed to the Miners' hospital here and Rodick was placed under arrest and is now in the county jail.

A preliminary hearing will be held before Judge Bayne at Raton next Monday morning.

McINTOSH BROWNS HAVE

SIGNED CRABLE

The pitching staff of the Brown's was materially improved when Manager Matson signed Crable, the big southpaw, formerly with the Cimarron Swastikas, this week. Besides being a first class man in the box, the big fellow is a great stick artist, which is an unusual trait in a good pitcher, and he can if necessary, be used as a utility man as he fields and throws well.

With Galgano, Crable and Nye to work, the Brown's should continue to put up a strong argument with anything in this part of the country.—Albuquerque Evening Citizen.

KIT CARSON HOLDS

HUNTING RECORD

Kit Carson, grandson of the famous plainsman, whose name he bears, arrived here yesterday from his camp in the Black Hills, with the scalps and hides of six bob-cats and two bob-wolves, which he deposited with the clerk of the board of supervisors, with his claim for a bounty of \$32. This makes \$180 worth of scalps of wild animals he has deposited in the office of the board of supervisors, trapped in the Black Hills within the past six weeks.

Carson is noted as one of the greatest hunters and trappers in the west, and while a resident of Graham county, it is said, he almost bankrupted the treasury of that county in collecting the bounty on wild animals.

He stated that Rattlesnake canyon was visited by a terrific cloudburst about a week ago. A black cloud burst near the summit of the mountain at the head of the canyon, and the water rose to over sixteen feet in less than twenty minutes.